**Lesson 11 Legal Issues with the Internet**

A relatively new area of litigation and rising concern is the internet. On the positive side it is used for instructional purposes, social networking and on the negative side it has become a medium for harassment, sexual exploitation, threats as well as an avenue for child predators to reach and groom victims. To what extent can a school take action, if any?

In this unit this issues will be explored using the ESD 101 website for its grant project on CyberSafety, a joint project between ESD 101, the US Attorney’s Office, the Catholic Diocese, and the NW Council for Computer Education. Project information is available at [*http://www.esd101.net/1696101128152444990/site/default.asp?1696101128152444990Nav=|&NodeID=198*](http://www.esd101.net/1696101128152444990/site/default.asp?1696101128152444990Nav=|&NodeID=198)*.*

What you have to do:

1. Take the quiz: [*http://dsc.discovery.com/convergence/koppel/interactive/interactive.html*](http://dsc.discovery.com/convergence/koppel/interactive/interactive.html)
2. View the presentation to WSU interns this spring on Internet issues (it is at the end of the page): [*http://www.esd101.net/1696101128152444990/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=54956*](http://www.esd101.net/1696101128152444990/blank/browse.asp?a=383&BMDRN=2000&BCOB=0&c=54956)
3. Then prowl some of the links – including:
   1. Digital dossier
   2. Look at some of the real stories on Netsmartz
   3. Cyberbullying
   4. Sexting
4. Review the following student cases:
   1. Beussink v Woodland, MO 1998
   2. Emmet v Kent WA 2000
   3. JS v Bethlehem PA 2002
   4. Wilson v Hinsdale Ill 2004
   5. Wisniewski v Weedsport 2nd Circuit 2007

Student’s IM icon showed a gun firing a

Assignments: Participate in the discussion

References: See ESD101 website

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